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<u>Inventor(s)</u>	<u>U.S. Patent No.</u>
Burchett	1,835,757
Brehm	2,039,142
Nichols	2,765,792
Hudson	3,236,236
McGinnis	3,987,798
Martin	4,313,437
Wapner	4,331,144
Van Derdoes et al	5,010,884
Wolf	5,368,023

Applicant respectfully submits that the above-mentioned references taken alone or in
combination neither anticipate nor render obvious the present invention. Consideration of the

foregoing and the making of the references formally of record in the instant application is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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